

Chapter 11: Coordinating Conjunctions and Transitions

MULTIPLE CHOICE

Choose the correct word or words to complete each sentence.

- Bethany didn't ask for a reason, nor _____ offer one.
a. we did
b. did we
c. we didn't
d. didn't we
- He spent a year studying chemistry, and _____ to look for an internship now.
a. he wants
b. he
c. want
d. X
- It's raining very hard, _____ you need to take an umbrella.
a. but
b. yet
c. so
d. for
- It isn't cold now, _____ I recommend you take a sweater anyway.
a. and
b. so
c. or
d. but
- He failed the final exam. _____ he received the lowest grade in the class.
a. However,
b. Moreover,
c. In contrast,
d. Despite this,
- I received an award from the committee. _____ I felt I could've done better.
a. Likewise,
b. As a result,
c. However,
d. For instance,
- The population in the area has increased dramatically. _____ a new high school is being built.
a. On the contrary,
b. Despite this,
c. For example,
d. As a result,
- Students' grades at this university are increasing. _____ we are seeing increases in test scores across the country.
a. Because of this,
b. Despite this,
c. Similarly,
d. Afterward,
- It's very unlikely that the bank will be robbed again. _____ we want all of our employees to be prepared.
a. On the other hand,
b. Moreover,
c. As a result,
d. In fact,
- Greg grew up in a small town, _____ he feels very comfortable in a big city.
a. so
c. nor

- a. However, he needs to work on his attitude.
 - b. As a result, he shouldn't be promoted.
 - c. In addition, he is late sometimes.
20. A: We were all lifting and moving the heavy equipment. Meanwhile, Ken sat in his room and did nothing.
B: _____
- a. He must have been tired from all the lifting and moving.
 - b. As a result, he should be rewarded.
 - c. How annoying for all of you!
21. A: Claire's letters of recommendation weren't that strong.
B: _____
- a. Because of that, I think you should hire her.
 - b. Despite that, I think you should hire her.
 - c. On the contrary, I think you should hire her.
22. A: Why do you think I should major in statistics?
B: _____
- a. Despite this, you'll do well in math.
 - b. Afterward, you're good in math.
 - c. To begin with, you're strong in math.
23. A: Professor Roberts has such a serious demeanor.
B: I know! _____
- a. Because of that, many people find him very approachable.
 - b. On the other hand, his sense of humor is really great.
 - c. However, he is very strict in class.

What does the second sentence show? Choose the correct answer.

24. The professors in the theater department are dynamic. As a result, their classes are always full.
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| a. an additional idea | c. a time relationship |
| b. a cause or reason | d. a contrast |
25. Harold always says insensitive things to me. Moreover, he doesn't care if others overhear his remarks.
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| a. a time relationship | c. a contrast |
| b. a cause or reason | d. an additional idea |
26. Soo Jin is such a fantastic singer. However, she doesn't believe it.
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| a. an additional idea | c. a similar idea |
| b. a contrast | d. a time relationship |
27. Yesterday's class was incredibly difficult. Afterward, I summarized all of my notes and reread them several times.
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|-----------------------|------------------------|
| a. an additional idea | c. a time relationship |
| b. a contrast | d. a cause or reason |

28. Jobs in many service industries do not pay particularly well. Likewise, the benefits for those jobs are not very good.
- a. a time relationship
 - b. a contrast
 - c. a similar idea
 - d. a cause or reason

What does the underlined word show? Choose the correct answer.

29. The President isn't going to be re-elected, for his term has been plagued by problems.
- a. a cause or reason
 - b. an additional idea
 - c. a contrast between ideas
 - d. an alternative idea
30. Zack isn't going to take the test, nor am I.
- a. an additional idea
 - b. a contrast between ideas
 - c. a result
 - d. an alternative idea
31. I'm not very happy in my apartment, yet I am planning to renew my lease.
- a. an additional idea
 - b. an alternative idea
 - c. a contrast
 - d. a result
32. The reason for the mechanical failure was lack of maintenance or improper diagnosis of the issue.
- a. an additional idea
 - b. a contrast between ideas
 - c. an alternative idea
 - d. a cause or reason
33. We've earned over a thousand dollars for our favorite charity, so we are going to deliver the money tomorrow.
- a. an additional idea
 - b. a contrast between ideas
 - c. a result
 - d. an alternative idea

COMPLETION

Complete the sentences with the correct transition from the box.

Consequently	However	Furthermore
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1. The university continues to have a good reputation. _____, many of its top professors are leaving.
2. Profits have fallen sharply over the past four years. _____, several divisions are going to be closed.
3. My sister is afraid of the dark. _____, she is afraid of being alone.

Complete the sentences with the correct transition from the box.

For example	At the same time	Nevertheless
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4. The tornado ravaged the city with its high winds. _____, the terrified city residents hid in their basements.
5. It's very unlikely that my sister will do well in the competition. _____, she wants to compete.
6. Our team has put in so much effort in preparation for this match. _____, we practiced on weekends and holidays.

Complete the sentences with the correct conjunction from the box.

yet	so	or	and
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7. Terry is an excellent employee, _____ she always has time to help others.
8. I know you were late for a good reason, _____ I am going to give you some extra time to finish the exam.
9. Many people have complained about the poor state of extracurricular activities, _____ no one has volunteered to help improve them.
10. I'm not sure why he acted like that. He may have been upset with us _____ maybe he was just tired.

Complete the sentences with the correct transition from the box.

Most importantly	Despite this	Because of this
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11. Hannah excels in physics. _____, she has been awarded a scholarship to pursue a graduate degree in physics.
12. We've carefully analyzed all the arguments for and against the new airport terminal. _____, we've analyzed the environmental impact on the area.

13. David has received two raises in the past three years. _____, he hasn't been able to repay his loans.

SHORT ANSWER

Correct the errors in the sentences. Each sentence contains one error.

1. Sarah doesn't want to sit in the front row, nor I do.
2. Bill had to finish something at work, so is running a little late.
3. The play starts in five minutes, and you'd better not go to the lobby now.
4. Making great tennis shots is a result of practicing the same stroke repeatedly. Being able to hit a golf ball well consistently is the likewise result of intense practice.
5. The senior students are performing extremely well in class, for example Susan, Richard, and Kim have the highest grades.
6. You can stay at home, and you can come alone. The choice is yours.

ESSAY

Write an essay using one of these topics.

1. Write two paragraphs about a major change in your life from the past five years. In the first paragraph, describe the change and contrast your life now with your life before the change. Include details about the results of this change in your life. In the second paragraph, describe whether you think this change is positive or negative. Include examples to support your opinion.
2. Think about a sport that is very popular in your community. Write two paragraphs about the sport. In the first paragraph, describe your community and the role of the sport within it. Include information about whether most people watch or play the sport. In the second paragraph, describe why you think the sport is very popular. Include examples to support your opinion.

3. Many nutrition experts are concerned about the amount of sugar and unhealthy food that children consume. Do you think companies should be permitted to advertise candy and soft drinks during children's programs? Write two paragraphs about the issue. In the first paragraph, explain your opinion. Give examples to support it. In the second paragraph, explain the opposing view. Include examples to support that opinion.

Chapter 11: Answer Key

MULTIPLE CHOICE

1. B
2. A
3. C
4. D
5. B
6. C
7. D
8. C
9. A
10. B
11. B
12. A
13. C
14. A
15. B
16. A
17. B
18. B
19. A
20. C
21. B
22. C
23. B
24. B
25. D
26. B
27. C
28. C
29. A
30. A
31. C
32. C
33. C

COMPLETION

1. However
2. Consequently
3. Furthermore
4. At the same time
5. Nevertheless
6. For example
7. and
8. so
9. yet
10. or
11. Because of this

12. Most importantly
13. Despite this

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ESSAY

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3. Answers will vary.